



SH 2187  
#61A  
RWB  
3-8-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Patent Application of:**

Yasutoshi SHINDO

Application. No. 09/540,987

Confirmation No. 3235

Filed: March 31, 2000

For: AUTOMATIC TRANSACTION  
SYSTEM

Art Unit: 2157

Examiner: Andrew T. Caldwell

Atty. Docket No. 31581-159316

Customer No. 26694

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Reply:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed for a 1 month extension of time, which Applicant hereby petitions for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Should a greater or lesser fee be required by the Patent Office, please charge or credit our deposit account No. 22-0261 accordingly and notify the undersigned.

03/02/2004 DTESEM1 00000109 09540987

01 FC:1251

110.00 0P

**RECEIVED**

MAR 03 2004

Technology Center 2100

Application No. 09/540,987